



**UNITY**  
**IN A FRACTURED**  
**WORLD**

JOHN 17:20-23

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3. We are Called to Guard Together.

**Biblical Unity = Looks like Love, Feels like Acceptance, and Practices Forgiveness**

# 1. Unity Wears the Clothes of Love

**“Therefore, as the Elect of God, Holy and Beloved, Put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering...” Col. 3:12**

Remember Who you are:

**Put On:**

- **Dress Yourself in the Character of Jesus before You Leave Your House.**

**“But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.” Col. 3:14**

**“And let the peace of God rule in your hearts,  
to which also you were called in one body;  
and be thankful.” Col. 3:15**

## 2. Unity Creates a Culture of Acceptance (v. 13 )

**“Bearing with one another...” Col. 3:13**

**a.) Endure**

**b.) Acceptance = We Welcome Imperfect  
People the same way Christ Welcomed Us.**

### 3. Unity Practices Deep Forgiveness (v. 13)

**“...and Forgiving One Another, if Anyone has a Complaint Against Another; Even as Christ Forgave You, So You Also Must Do.” Col. 3:13**

a.) Complaint = Hurt...Offense...Disappointment.

**b.) A Church that Embraces Forgiveness will become a Living Picture of the cross that we preach.**

**If Forgiveness is the Center of Our Gospel,  
then Forgiveness Must Be At The Center  
of our relationships.**

Take Off

Put On

**Unity Will Be Built by Taking These Kinds  
of Tangible Steps!**